



PARTNERSHIP IN EDUCATION



Goal

This educational partnership between the U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI) and District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS) is established for the purpose of providing available Departmental resources to help enrich the school curriculum by fostering interest in natural resources, environmental protection and conservation education. As part of the Department of the Interior's modernization of its Main Interior Building, a coordinated effort will be undertaken to transfer DOI excess educationally useful equipment for use by DCPS.

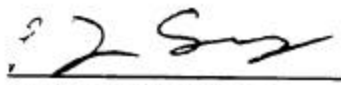
General Objectives:


- Pursuant to the Stevenson-Wydler Technology Act of 1980, as amended (15 U.S.C. 3710(i)) and Executive Order (E. O.) 12999 *Educational Technology. Ensuring Opportunity for All Children in the Next Century*, the DOI will donate to DCPS property determined to be excess that is educationally useful for the conduct of technical and scientific education and research activities.
- Property targeted for donation will include: furniture, office supplies, computers, computer peripherals, and scientific materials. This property should be in working condition and not be obsolete for the purpose for which it is intended.
- Donated DOI excess personal property will automatically pass to DCPS once the appropriate documentation is completed. DCPS may not, however, dispose of property that is operable or not obsolete at the time of transfer for one year from the date of transfer.
- Donated DOI excess property that is not put into use, or is no longer needed by DCPS, within one year of receipt shall be returned to DOI for disposition.
- DOI and DCPS will each identify a partnership coordinator to implement this Agreement.
- DOI and DCPS will work together to facilitate proper recycling and disposal of obsolete equipment displaced by newer donated equipment (i.e., computers and furniture).


- As permitted by E.O. 12999, DOT will endeavor to make available employees who have computer expertise to help connect DCPS classrooms to the National Information Infrastructure, to assist teachers in learning to use computers, to provide ongoing maintenance of and technical support for the educationally useful Federal equipment transferred pursuant to this Order to the extent permitted by law.
- Donated DOT excess equipment is free of charge. However, DCPS must arrange and pay for transportation, unless other arrangements have been made.
- DOT assumes no liability with respect to accidents, bodily injury, illness, or any other damages or loss related to excess personal property/equipment donated under this Agreement.
- DCPS will ensure that the needs of schools with which DOT has existing partnerships (Ross Elementary School, Stevens Elementary School and the Melvin Sharpe Health School) are served through this agreement as well as other schools based on need.
- At least once each year, DOT and DCPS shall meet to review this agreement. Unless renewed, this agreement shall expire in three years from the date of signature.

Nothing in this document shall be construed as obligating either party to expend funds or otherwise provide resources in furtherance of these purposes, except as specifically agreed to on a case-by-case basis by the signatories or the organizations they represent. All Departmental expenditures are subject to the availability of appropriations.

Accepted and Agreed to:

 11/16/01
 Assistant Secretary Date
 Policy, Management and Budget
 U.S. Department of the Interior

 11/16/01
 Superintendent Date
 District of Columbia Public Schools

 11-16-01
 President Date
 Board of Education


 Vice President Date
 Board of Education

